

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER SC Charter School District

Grades: 6-12 **Enrollment: 227**

Principal: Deirdre McCullough Superintendent: Wayne Brazell **Board Chair: Don McLaurin**

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	Not Met	NI
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	0	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Our	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	70.4%	65.4%	N/A	N/A
Passed 1 subtest (%)	25.9%	11.5%	N/A	N/A
Passed no subtests (%)	3.7%	23.1%	N/A	N/A

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010							
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A					

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE						
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours				
Number of students	45	N/A				
Number of Diplomas	34	N/A				
Rate (%)	75.6%	N/A				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010								
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours						
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	47.4							
English 1	59.3							
Physical Science	25.0							
US History and the Constitution	19.4							
All Tests	38.4							

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2009)								
South Carolina		32	44	23] 2			
Nation		26	43	28	2			
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advance								
Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced					

MATH – GRADE 8 (2009)			
South Carolina	31	39	23	7
Nation	29	39	25	7
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient	, and Advanced	i
■ Below Basic □ B	asic Proficient	■ Advanced		

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)							
South Carolina		31	39	23	7		
Nation		29	39	25	7		
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient,	and Advanced			
■ Below Basic	Basic	☐ Proficient	■ Advanced				

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER [SC Charter School SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=227)				
Retention rate	1.4%	Down from 2.3%	4.5%	3.7%
Attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 96.8%	94.1%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	7.0%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.7%	Up from 9.4%	14.1%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	7.5%	Up from 6.6%	12.3%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 1.3%	0.7%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	No Change	7.6%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	24.9%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	N/R	N/R	27.4%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	3.6%	N/A	2.8%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	5.0%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	87	Down from 92	359	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	92.0%	Down from 98.9%	72.2%	78.7%
Teachers (n=22)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	31.8%	Up from 18.2%	57.4%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	9.1%	Down from 27.3%	69.7%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	20.0%	Down from 28.6%	11.9%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	83.7%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	99.5%	Up from 97.8%	96.2%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$34,445	Down 5.3%	\$46,099	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	14.9%	Down from 34.1%	3.9%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	9.1 days	Up from 8.7 days	9.9 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.9 to 1	Up from 19.5 to 1	22.7 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.3%	Down from 93.6%	88.5%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,862	N/A	\$8,879	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.4%	N/A	53.7%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.0%	N/A	59.1%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Poor	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	80.5%	Up from 39.2%	96.0%	96.0%
Character development program	Average	Up from Below Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	94.1%	Up from 40.0%	61.5%	69.2%
* Longth of contract = 185+ days	•	•	•	•

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	47	13
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.8%	73.9%	92.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	78.7%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.8%	84.8%	91.7%

^{*}Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The students of Calhoun Falls Charter School continue the pursuit of excellence in academics, athletics, and citizenship.

Two additional dual enrollment courses were added to our course schedule, allowing students to graduate with up to 18 college credit hours in math. English, and health occupations. Eleven additional classes were added to the master schedule for the 2009-2010 school year: Driver's Ed, Career Study Skills, HOSA II, Chorus, Anatomy and Physiology, Math Fusion, SAT Prep, Current Events, Strength and Conditioning, Speech, and African American Literature. Intervention specialists were also hired to address student academic, behavioral, and attendance concerns.

The senior class of 36 graduates earned 246 hours of dualenrollment credit and was awarded over \$900,000 in scholarship money.

Students exhibited excellence in extracurricular activities, earning two team All-Region Sportsmanship Awards and nine All-Region individual awards. CFCS also boasts its first FFA state officer, who will serve the 2010-2011 school year as Vice President.

CFCS students continue to develop citizenship skills through the school's Service Learning Program. Students logged over 8,200 hours of volunteer hours, exceeding last year's total of 4,700 hours. SGA sponsored two successful food drives for the town's food pantry, while other clubs raised money for Relay for Life and the March of Dimes.

At CFCS, we are proud of our accomplishments and excited about the future. With the continued support of parents and community, we will become the "School of Excellence" we all envision.

Principal Deirdre McCullough SIC Chairperson, Karen Ashley

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days. ** Prior year audited financial data available.